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For: DELAY EQUALIZER, OPTICAL
TRANSMITTER USING SAME DELAY
EQUALIZER, AND OPTICAL
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

Examiner: H. N. Ngo

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed January 28, 2004 (Paper No. 4), Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims Group 1, claims 1-10 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between Group I, claims 1-10, drawn to a delay equalizer or Group II, claim 11-30, drawn to an optical transmitter. The Examiner indicates that the inventions are distinct, each from the other because they are related as combination and subcombination.

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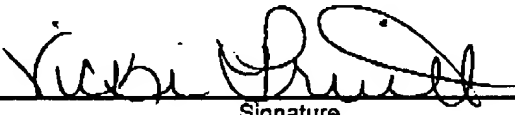
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